



# Jail Population Management Subcommittee of the Sanford “Sandy” Krasnoff Criminal Justice Council

February 26, 2018



# Jail Population Trends

1,414

Average daily population  
in January

1,277

2019 Safety & Justice  
Challenge target

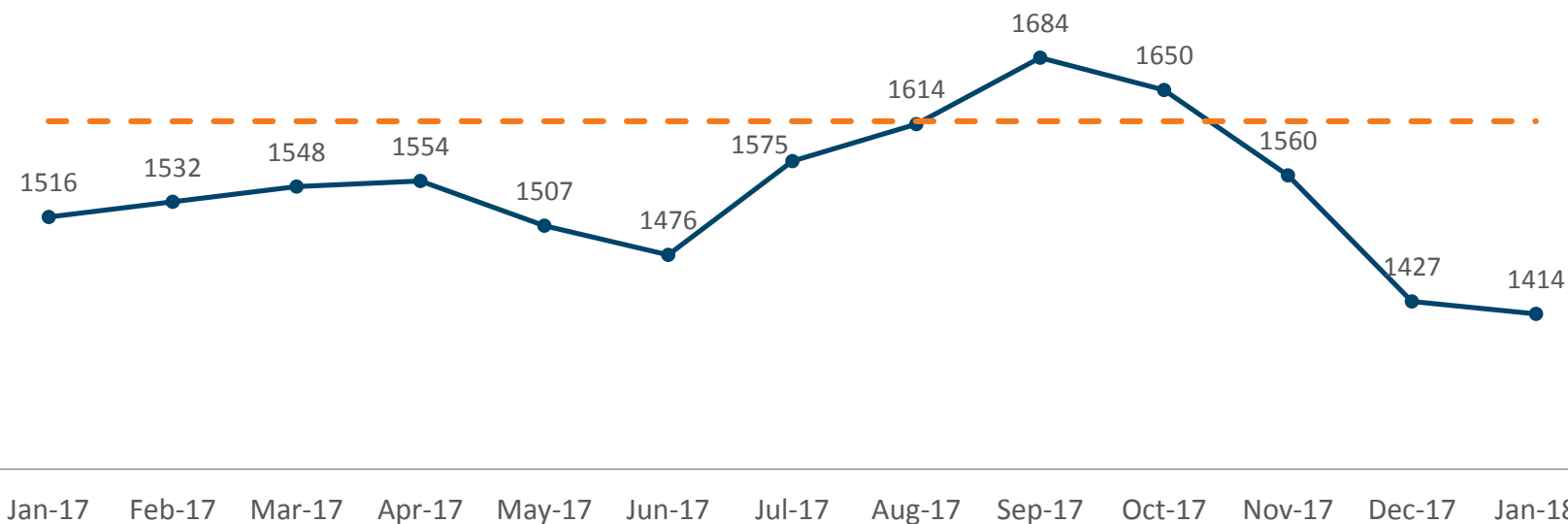
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Achievement  
towards SJC goal

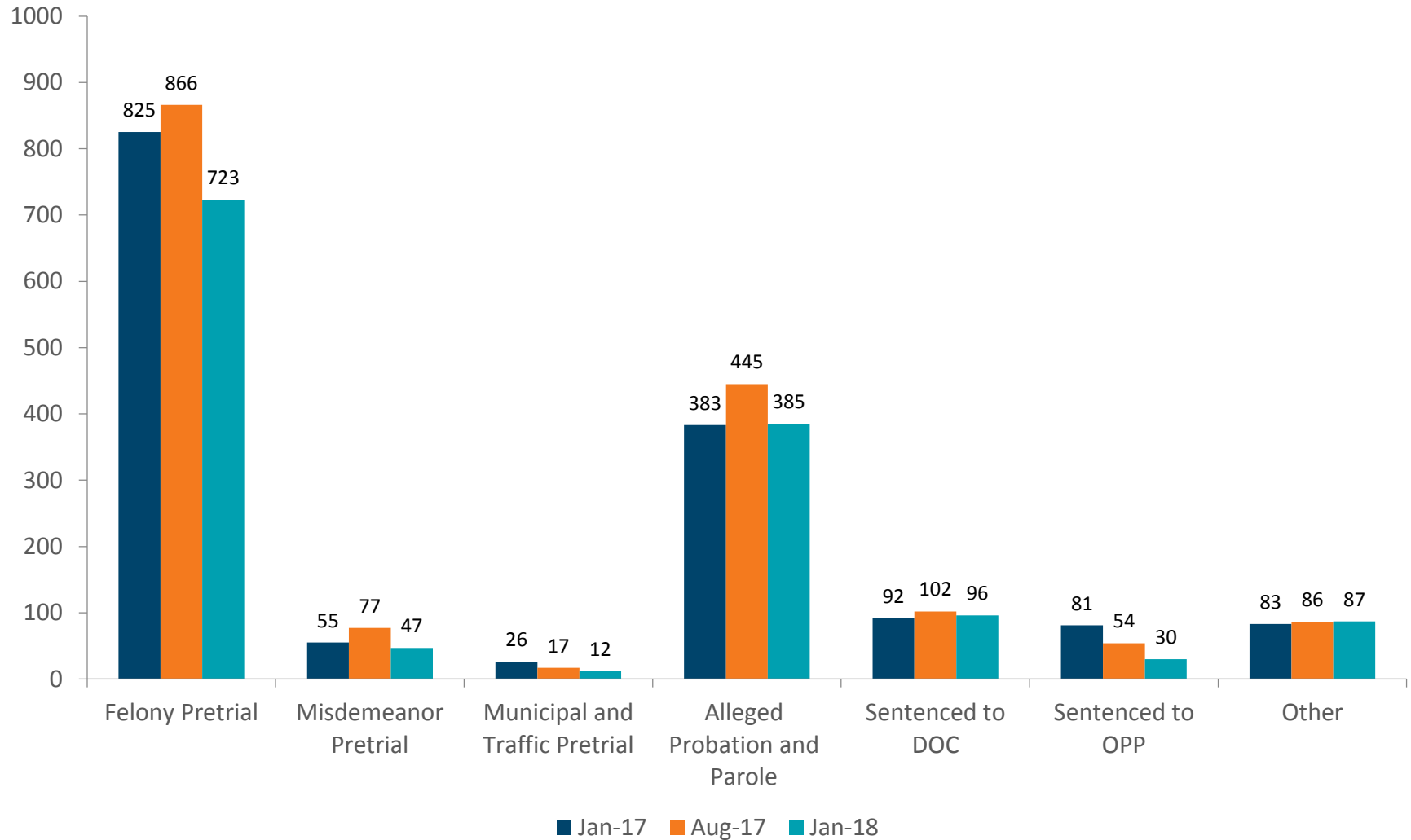
## Average Daily Jail Population

—●— Avg Total    - - - Baseline

Target = 1,277



# Jail Population Snapshots



# OPA Jail Population Analysis

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# OPA uses data to help departments provide better results to residents

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- ResultsNOLA: tracking performance to hold departments accountable
  - Virtually all City departments participate, including the Office of Criminal Justice Coordination, the Sheriff's Office, and several of the courts
- Nolalytics: sifting through data to provide insight
  - OCJC and NOPD have submitted Nolalytics project requests dealing with jail population analysis



# OPA has already been working with both OCJC and the Justice System Administrator

- OCJC was originally interested in identifying factors that might be associated with abnormally or unreasonably long detention times
- As a first step, OPA has assisted with building some basic reports from the data exchange server
- So far, a few reports have been built and delivered to the Justice System Administrator



# OPA has provided reports on which detainees are potentially eligible for release or requiring a transfer, based on charge dispositions

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- OPA's initial reports have focused on unsentenced detainees that may only be in custody due to a purely administrative reason (for example, an out-of-parish warrant or hold to collect DNA)
- Using the CourtNotify database within the exchange server, OPA has carried out simple text mining to determine under which type of court hold individuals are being detained
- This approach has allowed for sorting court holds into different groups
  - Holds pending a substantive charge before a court in Orleans Parish
  - Administrative holds (warrant from another jurisdiction, DNA sample, etc.)



# The Justice System Administrator has been using these reports to identify opportunities for process improvement

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- The Justice System Administrator at OPSO has been reviewing the snapshot reports to understand why certain individuals are currently being held, even though it appears from the database record that no specific legal action may be pending against them in Orleans Parish
- The JSA has noted that these reports allow jail personnel to target potential updates or changes to OPSO processes that may expedite the release or transfer of eligible detainees

